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Los Angeles, California 90042

Dear Dr. Schroth and Ms. Parker:

Re: Letters of Protest, Pearl Queen Perlite Corporation, Pearl Queen Mine, M/001/027, Beaver County, Utah

I have received your letters of protest to the Division's tentative decision to approve the Pearl Queen Perlite Mine, No. M/001/027. I have reviewed the matter and find that: 1) the matter of protest is one of substance; and, 2) I am in need of additional, clarifying information in order to fully evaluate the matter.

To the end of clarifying the situation, I am requesting that you delineate on a topographical map, the areas of concern which you have addressed in your letter. This will assist me in understanding your expressed concerns in relation to the proposed mine operation. I am enclosing a map with the proposed mine sequence and ask that you mark on this map, or another map with sufficient detail to compare with the mine map, and return it to me as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your clarification. I am confident that we may work with the parties to conclude the matter without a hearing before our Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. However, we may need to notice the matter for hearing while we work on the issue in order to meet filing deadlines, in case a hearing is warranted. If you have any questions, please contact me at 801-538-5306, by pager at 801-241-2465, or in the evening at 801-363-1412. Our fax number is 801-359-3940.

Sincerely,

  
Mary Ann Wright,  
Associate Director of Mining

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Enclosure: map

cc: Danny Gatten, PQP  
Kenny Winch, SITLA

Jim Dykman, SHPO with copies of protest letters

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